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Attorney Docket No. PD-201123

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PATENT
Docket No. PD-201123
CUSTOMER NO.: 020991

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David B. Donahue et al. :
Serial No.: 09/996,277 :
Filed: November 27, 2001 :
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING A :
GLOBALLY ROUTABLE BYPASS IP ADDRESS TO :
A HOST COMPUTER ON A PRIVATE NETWORK :

Date: August 4, 2005
Group Art Unit: 2155
Examiner: Eng, David Y.

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Final Office Action dated May 26, 2005. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

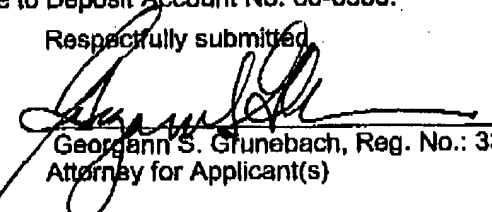
X No additional fee for claims is required.

X The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL CLAIMS	18	minus	20*	=	0	x	\$ 50.00	\$	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	minus	4**	=	0	x	\$ 200.00	\$	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	+	\$ 360.00	\$	0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:									\$ 0

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,


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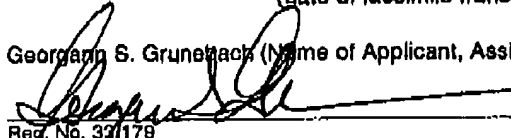
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks.